5.00 p.m.

पड़ेगा, उन के मेंटेनेंस पर क्या असर पड़ेगा? क्या आप के विभाग ने दूसरे विभाग से मिलकर इस संबंध में अध्ययन करवाया है या उस संबंध में आप की कोई तैयारी है?

श्री राम नाईक : महोदय, इन सारी बातों का अध्ययन हम ने किया है। ब्राजील और अमेरिका में जो व्हीकल्स चलती हैं, उन का भी अध्ययन किया है। महोदय, इथनॉल का उपयोग होने के बाद इंजन अधिक अच्छे ढंग से चल सकते हैं। उस में इंजन स्ट्राइक के समय कम-से-कम फ्युअल खराब हो, उस का धुंआ न निकले इत्यादि टैक्नीकल बातें हैं, इथनॉल मिश्रित करने से इंजन अधिक अच्छी परिस्थिति में काम करेगा। महोदय, इथनॉल में ऑक्सीजनेट होता है जिस कारण पॉल्यूशन भी पेट्रोल के कारण होने वाले पॉल्यूशन से थोड़ा कम होगा। इस तरह यह एक अच्छा प्रयोग है। इस का अध्ययन किया हुआ है। दूसरी बात, अभी केवल 5 प्रतिशत परमिट इसलिए कर रहे हैं क्योंकि हमारे देश के स्टेंडर्ड स्पेसीफिकेशंस इस समय 5 प्रतिशत अलाउ करते हैं। वह दुरुस्त कर लेंगे तो उस के बाद 10 प्रतिशत सब जगह परमिट करेंगे।

GOVERNMENT RESOLUTION

Proposal of the Government to reject the award given on 21st February, 1983 by the Board of Arbitration in C.A. reference No. 9(a) of 1980s.

THE MINISTER OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN): Sir, I beg to move:

> "That this House approves the proposal of the Government to reject the Award given on 21st February, 1983 by the Board of Arbitration in C.A. Reference NO. 9(a) of 1980 in respect of reduction of working hours of the operative offices of the Departments of Posts and Telecommunications in terms of Para 21 of the Scheme for Joint Consultative Machinery and Compulsory Arbitration, as the implementation of the Award involves total expenditure of approximately. Rs.2250 crores up to 1999 and recurring expenditure of approximately. Rs.250 crores per annum thereafter for both the Departments which will adversely affect the national economy and will also have implication on similarly placed employees in other Central Government Departments."

The Question was proposed.

SHRI JIBON ROY (West Bengal): Sir, I want to know whether the matter regarding cancellation of arbitration award has been negotiated with the concerned Trade Unions of Central Government employees before it is brought before the House for passing.

SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN: Sir, this Resolution has already been passed by the other House. I will explain ...*(Interruptions)*... Whatever you want, I will explain. The House can approve it or it can reject it; that is a different thing. But, if you want me to explain it, I am ready to explain all the things.

Sir, this Award is an award of 1983. The weekly working hours observed by the staff in administrative offices and operative offices, are 42.5 hours and 48 hours, including the meals and relief lunch. There was a demand of reduction of working hours of operative staff to bring them at par with the working hours of administrative staff, which was rejected by Second and Third Pay Commissions -- I am talking about second and third Pay Commissions, and not about the Fourth and Fifth Pay Commissions. Now, this demand of the staff side of the JCM in the erstwhile P and T Department, now the Department of Telecommunications and the Department of Post, was not agreed to, and the final disagreement on the subject was recorded on 20th March, 1980. The case was referred to the Board of Arbitration in 1980, and the Arbitration gave an award in 1983, which has been rejected by the Government. Whatever is rejected is brought to this House and that House for the Houses to support it. As I have said, if this award is implemented, the Government, today, will need a total expenditure of about Rs.3,000 crores from 1983 to 1999, and Rs.250 crores as recurring expenditure. Therefore, Sir, I am requesting this House to agree with this Resolution.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI SURESH PACHOURI): I shall now put the Resolution to vote. The question is :

> "That this House approves the proposal of the Government to reject the Award given on 21st February, 1983 by the Board of Arbitration in C.A. Reference NO. 9(a) of 1980 in respect of reduction of working hours of the operative offices of the Departments of Posts and Telecommunications in terms of Para 21 of the Scheme for Joint Consultative Machinery and Compulsory Arbitration, as the implementation of the Award involves total

expenditure of approx. Rs.2250 crores up to 1999 and recurring expenditure of approx. Rs.250 crores per annum thereafter for both the Departments which will adversely affect the national economy and will also have implication on similarly placed employees in other Central Government Departments."

The motion was adopted.

उपसभाध्यक्ष (श्री सुरेश पचौरी) : सदन की कार्यवाही मंगलवार, दिनांक 11 दिसंबर, 2001 को प्रात: 11.00 बजे तक के लिए स्थगित की जाती है।

The House then adjourned at three minutes past five of the clock till eleven of the clock on Tuesday, the 11th December, 2001.

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